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- Four tobacco factories in Shanghai, the K'ang Le (康樂菸廠), the Lung Hua (龍華菸廠), the Hsin Hua (新華煙廠), and the Hua Fei (華菲菸草), were turned over to Communist authorities by their owners in mid-October 1949. The Communists decided to move three of the plants to Tientsin and the fourth to Chenghsien (113-40, 34-45).\*
- Actual movement of equipment and supplies was arranged as follows:

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- Forty-eight cases of machinery and cigarette paper belonging to the K'ang Le Company were packed for shipment from Shanghai to Tientsin before 20 October. The factory was expected to resume operations in Tientsin in November.
- Machines of the Hsin Hua Factory were scheduled to be moved to Tientsin in two groups, one in early November, the remainder no later than early December.
- All ten machines of the Lung Hua Factory were to be moved to Tientsin as soon as transportation was available. Only about forty of the four hundred workers were to accompany the machines, however.
- All five machines of the Hua Fei Company were to be moved to Chenghsien in November.

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\*   Comment. The removal of these plants from Shanghai is in line with similar movements of textile and other factories previously reported  

  Three of the four firms were identified from the China Business Directory, Shanghai edition, 1947, published by the Industrial and Commercial Information Service of China: (1) K'ang Le as Comluck Tobacco Manufacturing Company, 607 Chungcheng Road (East) (Avenue Edward VII); (2) Lung Hua Tobacco Factory, Lane 526, 80 Yü-yao Road (Singapore Road); and (3) Hua Fei, 539 Kiukiang Road. The Hsin Hua firm was not identified.

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